

Olney Manor Skateboard Facility -- No. 058710

Category **M-NCPPC**
 Agency **M-NCPPC**
 Planning Area **Olney**
 Relocation Impact **None.**

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 Required Adequate Public Facility

May 24, 2004
NONE
NO

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY03	Est. FY04	Total 6 Years	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	57	0	0	57	42	15	0	0	0	0	0
Land											
Site Improvements and Utilities	173	0	0	173	130	43	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	520	0	0	520	390	130	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	750	0	0	750	562	188	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

G.O. Bonds	350	0	0	350	350	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contributions	50	0	0	50	50	0	0	0	0	0	0
State Aid	350	0	0	350	162	188	0	0	0	0	0

ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000)

Maintenance				100	0	20	20	20	20	20	0
Energy				10	0	2	2	2	2	2	0
Program-Staff				150	0	30	30	30	30	30	0
Program-Other				35	0	7	7	7	7	7	0
Offset Revenue				-130	0	-26	-26	-26	-26	-26	0
Net Impact				165	0	33	33	33	33	33	0
Workyears				5.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0

DESCRIPTION

This project provides a skateboard park in Olney Manor Recreational Park, located at 16601 Georgia Avenue, Olney, Maryland. Skateboarding is an individual sport in which a board made of plywood or plastic polymer is placed on wheels and used for movement, performing flip tricks, grinds, jumps, etc. The skateboard park includes a fenced asphalt area for placement of skateboarding equipment; a small building for on-site supervision, fee collection, and equipment storage; a viewing area outside the fence; a vehicular drop off area; pedestrian pathway access from adjacent parking, the swim center building, and the Georgia Avenue sidewalk; security lighting; and landscaping and screening. The scope of work includes demolition and reconstruction of a nearby parking lot in order to achieve the grade required for the skateboard facility.

JUSTIFICATION

Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan (PROS): A Local Land Preservation and Recreation Plan, approved by the Montgomery County Planning Board in July, 1998. Skateboarding is an increasingly popular sport with approximately 14,000 participants in Montgomery County as of 2001. Because of the absence of official skateboard parks, numerous "hot spots" for skateboarding have emerged in shopping centers and parking lots causing deterioration of pavements and conflicts with owners, residents, and customers. As of 2001, there were two municipal facilities, one in Rockville and one in Gaithersburg, but no County park facilities. In 2000, 200 individuals signed a petition requesting the Planning Board to construct a skateboard facility in Montgomery County. In 2002, more than 50 Olney area citizens attended a public meeting to advocate for a skateboard park. In January 2003, over 1,700 individuals signed a petition prepared by the Olney Skate Park Advocate Committee requesting the County Council to provide a skateboard park at Olney Manor Recreational Park.

The "Roller Hockey, In-line Skating, and Skateboarding Report," presented to the Planning Board in July 2001, proposed construction of three skateboard parks in Montgomery County, one of which was proposed for the Olney area. Locating a site for a skateboard park has proven difficult due to the lack of available remaining space in existing regional and recreational parks.

Olney Manor Recreational Park is a suitable location for the skateboard park because the park is designated for active recreational use, has an area large enough to house the skateboard park, and has few neighbors in close proximity. Parking is sufficient and water fountains and restrooms are available. Sidewalks along Georgia Avenue provide safe access to the park and bus stops are close to the park entrance.

Plans and Studies

"Roller Hockey, In-line Skating, and Skateboarding Report," July 12, 2001, M-NCPPC.

Memorandum to the Montgomery County Planning Board, dated March 28, 2003, re: Skateboard Park Facility Plan, recommending the Olney Manor site and asking

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA

Date First Appropriation	FY05	(\$000)
Initial Cost Estimate		750
First Cost Estimate		
Current Scope	FY05	750
Last FY's Cost Estimate		0
Present Cost Estimate		750
Appropriation Request	FY05	750
Appropriation Req. Est.	FY06	0
Supplemental		
Appropriation Request	FY04	0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		0
Expenditures/		
Encumbrances		0
Unencumbered Balance		0
Partial Closeout Thru	FY02	0
New Partial Closeout	FY03	0
Total Partial Closeout		0

COORDINATION

Facility Planning: Non-Local PDF 958776
 Minor New Construction PDF 998762
 Montgomery County Department of Recreation

MAP

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that the Recreation Department act as operator of the proposed skateboard park.
The Planning Board approved a facility plan on December 4, 2003.
The proposed Olney Master Plan Public Hearing draft recommends that a skateboard park be sited in Olney.

Cost Change
Not applicable.

STATUS
Planning stage.

FISCAL NOTE
In April 2004, the State of Maryland approved \$350,000 for construction of the skateboard park. The skateboarding community, local businesses, and others will contribute \$50,000 toward the cost and installation of modular pieces. The Operating Budget Impact is projected to be \$13,000 for the Department of Park and Planning and \$46,000 for the Department of Recreation.

The map displays the Olney Manor area in Georgia, with various neighborhoods and roads labeled. A large circular area is highlighted in the center, and a rectangular box is drawn around the Olney Manor area. The map includes labels for locations such as Olney Manor, Norbeck, Rock Creek Regional Park, and various other neighborhoods and roads.